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## Amendment to the Abstract

In a storage network including at least a computer system, at least an external storage and at least a network system for communication of input/output data between the computer system and the external storage, a method of collecting the performance data on the network system and the software operated on the network system-is-disclosed, in which the range or degree of data collection is automatically adjusted as required based on the performance data collected.